

## Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 STATE 073458  
ORIGIN IO-13

INFO OCT-01 CIAE-00 CU-02 INRE-00 NSAE-00 USIE-00 AF-08  
L-03 ISO-00 SIG-01 ARA-06 EA-07 EUR-12 NEA-10  
OES-06 PM-04 EB-08 PA-01 PRS-01 DODE-00 INR-07  
NSC-05 COME-00 CG-00 INT-05 NSF-01 DOTE-00 SMI-01  
NSCE-00 SSO-00 /102 R

DRAFTED BY IO/UNP:RMMAXIM;IO/UNESCO:ABCORTE:LL

APPROVED BY IO:DRTOUSSAINT

L/UNA:AKRECZKO

IO/UNP:JFTEFFT

AF/S:FWISNER

-----022147Z 039192 /62

O R 022135Z APR 77

FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO AMEMBASSY PARIS IMMEDIATE

INFO AMEMBASSY BONN

AMEMBASSY DAKAR

AMEMBASSY LONDON

AMEMBASSY OTTAWA

AMEMBASSY PRETORIA

USMISSION USUN NEW YORK

AMCONSUL CAPE TOWN

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE STATE 073458

NESCO

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: AORG, OCON, UNESCO

SUBJECT: INTERGOVERNMENTAL OCEANOGRAPHIC COMMISSION (IOC),  
8TH EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING (APRIL 4-8, PARIS): AFRICAN-  
ARAB AMENDMENT TO SUSPEND IOC MEMBERSHIP RIGHTS AND  
LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 STATE 073458

PRIVILEGES

1. USDEL SHOULD VOTE AGAINST THE AMENDMENT PROPOSED BY  
NINE COUNTRIES (AFRICANS, ARABS, YUGOSLAVIA) WHICH IS  
IMPLICITLY AIMED AT SOUTH AFRICA AND WOULD CHANGE THE IOC  
STATUTES TO PERMIT THE SUSPENSION OF THE RIGHTS AND  
PRIVILEGES OF MEMBERSHIP IN THE IOC BY VOTE OF THE UNESCO

GENERAL CONFERENCE. USDEL SHOULD SEEK SUPPORT AND COMPANY OF WESTERN AND OTHER FRIENDLY MEMBERS OF IOC EXECUTIVE COUNCIL IN THIS POSITION.

2. USDEL SHOULD DRAW UPON FOLLOWING FOR EXPLANATION OF OUR VOTE AND, IF NECESSARY, FOR INTERVENTION IN DEBATE PRIOR TO VOTE ON AMENDMENT. "THE UNITED STATES OPPOSES THIS AMENDMENT BECAUSE IT CONTRAVENES THE PRINCIPLE OF UNIVERSALITY AND IMPLIES THE APPLICATION OF POLITICAL CONDITIONS FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE IOC THAT ARE EXTRANEOUS TO THE SUBSTANCE OF IOC ACTIVITIES. THE AMENDMENT DOES NOT SPECIFY THE GROUNDS FOR SUSPENSION OF MEMBERSHIP RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES NOR DOES IT PROVIDE FOR SUCH SUSPENSION BY A TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY VOTE. WE BELIEVE THESE ARE IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS WHICH ARE INDEPENDENT OF THE QUESTION OF THE RACIAL POLICIES OF SOUTH AFRICA. WE WISH TO REAFFIRM OUR ABHORRENCE OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT'S POLICY OF APARTHEID. HOWEVER, THE IOC IS NEITHER A COMPETENT NOR AN APPROPRIATE FORUM IN WHICH TO DEAL WITH THIS ISSUE."

CHRISTOPHER

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptoning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01-Jan-1994 12:00:00 am  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** n/a  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Sent Date:** 02-Apr-1977 12:00:00 am  
**Decaption Date:** 01-Jan-1960 12:00:00 am  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** RELEASED  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 22 May 2009  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1977STATE073458  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** RMMAXIM;IO/UNESCO:ABCORTE:LL  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** N/A  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Expiration:**  
**Film Number:** D770115-0646  
**Format:** TEL  
**From:** STATE  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1977/newtext/t19770494/aaaadecl.tel  
**Line Count:** 83  
**Litigation Code IDs:**  
**Litigation Codes:**  
**Litigation History:**  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM  
**Message ID:** 7f5501ab-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc  
**Office:** ORIGIN IO  
**Original Classification:** LIMITED OFFICIAL USE  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 2  
**Previous Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Previous Classification:** LIMITED OFFICIAL USE  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** n/a  
**Retention:** 0  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 21-Dec-2004 12:00:00 am  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**SAS ID:** 2916474  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** INTERGOVERNMENTAL OCEANOGRAPHIC COMMISSION (IOC), 8TH EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING (APRIL 4-8, PARIS): AFRICAN-ARAB AMENDMENT TO SUSPEND IOC MEMBERSHIP RIGHTS AN  
**TAGS:** AORG, OCON, UNESCO  
**To:** PARIS  
**Type:** TE  
**vdkgwkey:** odbc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS\_Docs/7f5501ab-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc  
**Review Markings:**  
Margaret P. Grafeld  
Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
22 May 2009  
**Markings:** Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009